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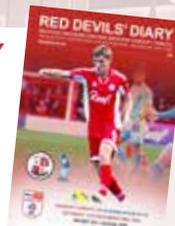
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## WELCOME TO THE BROADFIELD STADIUM

Welcome to the Broadfield Stadium for today's League Two Match. We would also like to extend a warm Crawley Town welcome to the players, staff and fans of today's visitors and wish them all a safe journey home after the game.

## NEWS BITES FROM THE DEVIL

Young goalkeeper, **WILL HEATER**, is going on his first pro loan to Isthmian League South East Division side, Sheppey United. Will signed his first professional deal with the club back in August, having become the first player to transition through to the First Team from the Crawley Town Community Foundation's Academy team.



Our cover star of this edition, **MAX ANDERSON**, picked up a serious injury in the 36th minute of our draw at Gillingham. He has been found to have a small fracture at the bottom of his femur. Sadly he is likely to be out for a while, as is **SCOTT MALONE** who has also picked up a longer term injury. We wish them both a speedy recovery.



## CRAWLEY TOWN - HONOURS LIST

Honour	Position	Season
League 2 Wembley Play Off Final	Winner	2023/24
Promoted to League 1	3rd Place	2011/12
FA Cup	5th Round	2010/11 & 2011/12
EFL League Cup	4th Round	2019/20
Conference	Champions	2010/11
Southern League	Champions	2003/04
Southern League Cup	Winner	2003/04
Southern League Cup	Winner	2002/03
Southern League Cup	Runner-up	2000/01
Sussex Senior Cup	Winner	1989/90, 90/91, 02/03, 04/05
Roy Hayden Trophy	Winner	1990/91, 91/92, 04/05
Sussex Floodlight Cup	Winner	1990/91, 91/92, 92/93, 98/99
William Hill Senior Cup	Winner	1992/93
Gilbert Rice Floodlight Cup	Winner	1979/80, 83/84
Sussex Intermediate Cup	Winner	1927/28
Montgomery Cup	Winner	1925/26
Mid Sussex Senior League	Winner	1902/03





**The one player that unites Oldham Athletic and Crawley Town supporters of a certain era is of course the one and only Ernie Cooksey.**

There have only been fourteen matches played between the Latics and the real Red Devils, with Crawley Town winning four, losing six and drawing the remainder.

None of the games between us featured Ernie, so why the shared love and respect for a player who only played one season for us down in Sussex (2002/2003) before making the move into league football when he moved up north to Oldham at the beginning of the next season. In fact, he made 57 league and cup appearances and scored 6 goals for Crawley Town in a season where a seven-game winless run towards the end of the season cost us our chance of promotion to the Conference, as it was then called. Fortunately, the team rallied in the last few games of the year to secure a seventh placed finish and to win the Southern League Cup against Halesowen Town over two legs, after losing away by two goals to one.

The last game of that season for the Red Devils, and for young Ernie in a Crawley shirt, was at Eastbourne Borough's Priory Lane ground against the home side in the Sussex Senior Cup Final. We won the game in a penalty shoot-out by six goals to five after having been reduced to ten men after just twenty five minutes when, you guessed it, Ernie was sent off for a rather innocuous tackle on ex Crawley player Matt Smart

It was at the time the most successful season in the club's 107-year history only



to be surpassed just a year later when we finished champions and won promotion to the Conference, without Ernie who had departed for Oldham Athletic after the Sussex Cup Final. The real hero of that game was Andy Little who saved three penalties to win the cup, but I do remember Ernie being embraced by all the team and supporters for his part in what really was a remarkable end to the season

I really think that if we had won promotion that year, we would have stood a chance of keeping Ernie, at least for another year, but Bob Dowie, brother of Iain, the then Oldham manager persuaded Ernie to take a chance and move up north.

Now read two tributes from fans of both Crawley Town and Oldham Athletic collated by Ian Townsend back in 2012 and posted on the Crawley Town Supporters Alliance web site back at the time of Ernie's passing.

The first, from Ant Weller - a long standing Crawley Town Supporter...

*"It's easy to read enough about Ernie and his battle with cancer that sadly took him from us far too young. But it can never quite tell the full story of what sort of bloke Ernie was and why Crawley fans hold him in such esteem. He played for us for just one season – and that was delayed by his coaching spell in the States. And he scored only one goal (from memory and I can't remember who it was against).*

*"He loved his football. It came across every time he crossed the white line that he was going to give you everything he could. And he'd never ever complain. He knew he was lucky to play football, even more so to get paid for it (although his wages at Crawley weren't that high).*

*"As a spectator you just applauded his energy as he bombed up and down the field for a full 90 minutes. He may have only scored one goal (see correction below) but I lost count of the number of times he hit the woodwork, especially leaping salmon like from a corner. If Crawley reports were in the national papers you knew Ernie would always get a high mark – for effort alone.*

*"But Ernie was a legend off the field too. He would stop to chat for as long as you liked. After every game. And to any fan. He really appreciated what it meant to be a Crawley fan. Following the club in those days was never ever going to be about glory. It was always about the joy of football.*

*"I was with the players when we were on a pre-season tour in Derbyshire just as he went to Oldham. It was a trial for Ernie and he wanted to impress. It was all he wanted- to become a professional*

*footballer. But even in those days he hopped on a train to come and see the Crawley players at the hotel. I picked him up from the station. He apologised for being still in Oldham training kit but he'd run from the station to catch the train because he wanted to see the lads.*

*"When he died, I went to his funeral. CTFC were then in a bit of a mess. But players and managers from a bygone era came together to salute Ernie. And amidst all the arguing that was engulfing the club at that time, people who had been in open dispute with each other – and really hostile to one another – came together to pay respect to Ernie.*

*"Ernie Cooksey was a good footballer. But, more importantly, he was a great human being. RIP Ernie. We'll never forget"*

Actually, Ernie scored six goals in 57 appearances for Crawley Town, three in the Southern League, against Havant and Waterloooville, and three in cup matches against Flackwell Heath in the FA Cup 4th round qualifying victory, one against Bognor and the other against Rye and Iden, scored in the 2nd round and the semi-final of the Sussex Senior Cup respectively.





The second from an unnamed O AFC fan who posted his words on CTFC.net just after his passing in 2012...

*“Ernie came to us on trial in the summer of 2003, when we were in a dire financial situation, had next to no players, and morale was at an all time low. As a roofer, he was up some ladders when Bob Dowie rang him and told him to get to Oldham. He slid down the ladders, threw his tools down and went home for his stuff.*

*“He took his last £200 out of the bank and went for the train. As he got into a taxi to make his way to Latics, the taxi driver told him that the club were in deep trouble and he’d be better off turning back home. He was really worried about it then, but thought ‘Well, I’m here now, let’s just see’.*

*“The first look most of us got of Ernie was in a typically well-attended friendly at Rochdale. We knew we had a lad called Ernie Cooksey on trial, and we knew it was the balding fella, because who else could have a name like that?*

*“Within minutes he was our new hero, tearing around the field, desperate to take his chance of being a football league player.*

*“ ‘Olé’ greeted his every touch, as he played this pre-season game as if it was a cup final. The chant of “Ernie For England!” quickly came into being, and even the Rochdale fans joined in. A well-deserved standing ovation greeted his substitution.*

*“Later in the game, one of our players committed a bad foul, and the referee, as is sometimes the way in pre-season,*

*allowed us to sub him off instead of sending him off. The problem was we had already exhausted our options from the bench! So back came Ernie, to yet another huge cheer!*

Another tribute from a Latics fan...

*“Even though he only appeared for the club 41 times, the mark he left on the fans was massive. His knack for a good goal, a towering leap defying his size, and most of all his unwavering work rate made him a Latics hero in what was a dark time for the club.*

I also found this anecdote...

*“Ernie was sub in a game where we were losing by a goal or two. I don’t recall who we were playing but the opposition had started to take the ball into the corner and as this is something I detest even when we do it, I started to feel a tad frustrated.*

*“Enter Ernie. Within seconds of his introduction the ball was again being shielded in the corner, this time right underneath me in the corner of the Main Stand and the RRE.*

*“Ernie raced 20 yards or so and clattered through about 5 players (3 of theirs and 2 of ours) and sent the lot flying.*

*“It was an absolute joy to behold and told me that he was just as frustrated as I was, but he was in a position to do something about it. Ernie stood up, looked at the ref, shrugged and held his arms out, the picture of innocence, while myself and those around me cheered him. Somehow he only got booked.*

*“Ernie for England”!*



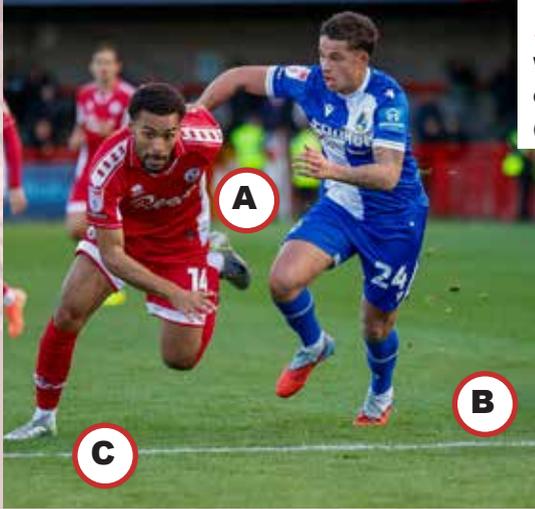
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### SPOT THE BALL!

Which number do you think is the correct position of the ball?  
(Answer below)

### WORD SEARCH

Find these player names in the grid below:  
ADEYEMO, ANDERSON, BAJRAMI, BARKER, BROWN, CASHMAN, CONROY, DAVIES, DIXON, FLINT, FLOWER, FORSTER, HEATER, HOLOHAN, KOTEY, LOFT, MALONE, MCKIRDY, MUKENA, PAPADOPOULOS, PEREIRA, RADCLIFFE, ROBINSON, ROLES, SANDFORD, SCOTT, SHOWUNMI, TSHIMANGA, WATSON, WILLIAMS, WOLLACOTT

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**AUTOGRAPH**



**SPOT THE BALL ANSWER** Ball B is correct!



## SALFORD 3-4 REDS



### Notes from an away trip to see Crawley Town play Salford City on Saturday, the 29th of November.

For me, this was my first time seeing a game at the Peninsula Stadium, but it certainly wasn't my first time seeing a game in the Greater Manchester area. I lived in Manchester (and Stockport) back in the first half of the noughties, and when I lived there, I had been to see games at Old Trafford, Maine Road, Edgeley Park, Boundary Park, Spotland, Gigg Lane, Moss Lane, and Bower Fold. But I had never made it out as far as Moor Lane.

Back then I'd never even heard of Salford City as a football team, the mention of Salford automatically made me think of Rugby League. Sadly since I wrote the draft to this, the original Salford Red Devils have been wound up and had their membership of the RFL terminated.

I wasn't doing a there and back in the same day journey for this game, I was staying for three nights, a chance to go around some of my old stomping grounds with a camera, as in five years of living there the only photos I had were of the inside of pubs and clubs and drunken gurning fools taken on disposable cameras. I was also squeezing in a day up to Morecambe to see my mum.

During the time in the couple of days before the game, I was throwing in some football tourism as well. I went out to Old Trafford, and then to the Etihad, and on to the former site of Maine Road, now converted into housing, with only the old centre circle there as a memory to the old ground.



On the morning of the game I was up early to get into the centre of Manchester to take photos of all the lovely buildings that I ignored for five years when living there, all whilst avoiding the worst of the ever increasingly heavy rain, before getting to the National Football Museum as it opened at ten. It is definitely worth a visit, even if it is very light on any mentions of Crawley Town. As with so many places nowadays the ticket gives access for a year, so return visits can be made if you just happen to be in Manchester for anything.

Coming out of the museum it was still raining, and there was still time to kill, so there was a trip to the wonderful Affleck's Palace. The equivalent of the Brighton

Lanes in a single building, and it was great to see how little it has changed over the years. A bit of Christmas shopping done it was time to head out to Moor Lane. A trip on a bus, whose route crossed over the border between the cities of Manchester and Salford a few times before I got off.

The rain had just about stopped by now. I got to the ground just after half past one, a bit late for me, but they weren't open yet as there was a late pitch inspection (the second of the day), which they were waiting for the results of before they let anyone in.

Despite having spent time dodging the rain all day, it hadn't even occurred to me that the downpour would put the game in doubt. I went into the club shop looking for the usual merchandise items I try and get from everywhere I visit, a pen, and a fridge magnet, both of which they had. By which time, the pitch had been passed fit for play, and they were letting fans in.

Salford City's ground is one of the few which are smaller than our own Broadfield Stadium, but it is a nice enough ground. I got a seat as close to the halfway line as I could. Being older and broken down, I can't do standing, and I've never really liked being plonked behind the goal, I prefer to get a view side on, with less foreshortening.

By the time, the players were out warming up the sun was fighting to burst through the cloud cover and there was no more rain. There were forced changes to the starting line-up, with Charlie Barker being suspended, and Dion Conroy and Ben Radcliffe seemingly out injured, Jay Williams was starting in the back three (on the right as it turned out), Joy Mukena could only make it to the bench.

And we were going with at least two up front as Kabby Tshimanga was starting. With Salford playing in red shirts, with white



shorts and socks, it meant we were in our third, all black kit.

We start the game reasonably well and get an early corner which is taken deep and cleared. And then we have a decent break out from the back and a ball out to Harry Forster wide on the right of the penalty area sees him fail to wrap his foot around it and get it across. At the other end Salford are getting into the game, from a corner a shot from the edge of the area goes for a goal kick.

Louie Watson gets a yellow card for a pull back. A ball out from the back by Bajrami gets to Watson and he slides it into Forster in the box and his cross cum shot is caught by the goalkeeper. And again, Forster is fed in the box, the shot is saved and it falls to McKirdy who puts it over the bar from about ten yards. A big opportunity missed there, I think.

More of the action seems to be taking place in our half of the pitch and we've not been seeing a lot of the ball, and we don't seem to be getting to the second balls either, and we concede another corner. It is played out to the edge of the area where no one is watching, or awake, but the shot lacks direction and power and limps wide.

When we do get the ball we have a break, Forster beats a couple of men and surges through the middle, and he plays it to McKirdy on the right of the area, and his cross shot didn't really become either and it goes for a goal kick.





A pull back on Flower sees us get a free kick, but there is no yellow for the Salford player, unlike the one for Watson earlier. The free kick is taken deep and looks like it might have gone out, but Jay Williams gets to it and has a shot, which takes some kind of deflection but ends up in the back of the net and we lead 1–0, somewhat against the run of play. It was announced as a Williams goal in the stadium but initially gets credited as an own goal.

The goal seems to wake the whole team up and start playing much better. Forster is fouled in midfield about thirty-five yards out, it is put deep to the back post again and various players are down injured and getting treatment. It's a clash of heads and Williams is down for quite some time before getting helped off. When he comes back on a couple of minutes later, he's got a big bandage around his head.

The break in the game seems to help Salford, they have some concerted pressure, a shot from outside the area is pushed around the post by JoJo Wollacott for a corner. We clear as the board goes up for four added minutes, the ball is put back in and Reece Brown heads it clear only for it to be pumped in, Williams attempts to bring it down on his thigh but it comes off him straight to a Salford player who says thank you very much and rifles it in for an equaliser and it is all level 1–1.

Salford are straight on the attack again and get a corner, which is headed behind for another corner, and then another, and

a fourth on the trot. Salford get a head on that, but it is wide, we can all breathe again and the half time whistle goes with it all square 1–1.

We start the second half well, get down the left and McKirdy plays it through to Adeyemo in the box, he cuts inside and then plays it across to Forster who looks like he air kicks it, but the ref has seen something and points to the penalty spot. McKirdy takes, and whilst it is better than his last attempt, it is easily saved and goes for a corner. Yet another missed opportunity.

The ref books Tshimanga who is chasing back down the wing (a pull back, inconsistent treatment regarding yellow cards again). The resulting free kick is swung into the near post and there is a touch and the ball goes into the corner in a ridiculous slow-motion scene, it is given as a Salford scorer, but the wrong-footed-ness of the non-reaction suggests it might have been an own goal. But we trail 1–2.

Heads don't go down, and a ball to Flower in the Salford half sees him fouled. The free kick is taken into the box and we keep recycling it, Bajrami is bundled over on the left wing for a free kick. Forster takes it, and it takes the defence by surprise as it squeezes in at the near post from an acute angle and we are back level at 2–2.

A break in play sees us make some substitutions, with McKirdy, Flower, and Adeyemo coming off, to be replaced by Jack Roles, Dion Pereira, and Kaheim

Dixon. Dixon is straight into action with a shot from the edge of the area which he pulls wide right. Down the right, Dixon plays it to Forster, he pulls it back to Brown who shoots just wide. Roles and Tshimanga shoot, then Pereira, his goes for a corner. It is taken short to Roles, and he swings it into the box and Williams gets his bandaged head to it and it nestles in the back of the net and we lead again 3–2.

Salford attack, a tackle in the box has the fans behind that goal screaming for a penalty but the ref gives a corner. Josh Flint plays the ball forward into the box to Pereira, but his cross is just behind the two players in the middle. Salford break and win a corner, and it's headed out, then played back to the corner taker, but he's offside. Flint has a couple of storming runs forward in quick succession, on the second one he plays it to Roles who has a shot from thirty yards which goes over the bar. A quick Salford attack sees a ball played out to a man on the right wing who is all alone in his own postcode, the cross goes to the back post and is turned in, and it is back to being all square at 3–3.

We lose the ball directly from the kick off, and the ball is played to a striker in the box, he beats Wollacott to the ball and slots it in and in less than a minute we've gone from leading to losing 3–4.

The 168 fans who had made the trip up to Salford go quiet for the first time in the game, they had spent the rest of the game out singing the home support, but that two goal in a minute salvo has knocked the stuffing out of us.

The board goes up for five added minutes. Most of which we spend trying to attack and fashion that one decent chance, it's all a bit too frantic with a lack of composure, and it could be worse, Salford break and have a one on one with Wollacott who pulls off a great save to keep the score at 3–4 as the final whistle goes. Several of the Crawley players slump to the ground in disbelief and disappointment, wondering how on earth they managed to lose that one. It's a frustrating, infuriating game. Bolton, Peterborough - twice, Exeter all come to mind from last season, scoring three goals away from home and not winning. And we continue our record of always losing wearing all black.

I head back to my hotel, and the rain is back, with the result and the weather, I can't quite summon the enthusiasm to go back out and head for Rusholme's curry mile despite having looked forward to it for the whole trip.

By the Sunday morning the rain has all gone and it's bright sunshine. I walk five minutes to the Manchester transport museum for a look around, and again it is interesting, but after the game the previous day, there are far too many mentions of Salford City for my liking (even if they are in relation to the transport network and not the football team).

And then it is back to Picadilly and the journey back to Crawley. A minute of madness, the low point of a great weekend for me.

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# OPPOSITION OLDHAM ATHLETIC

## OLDHAM ATHLETIC HOME, AWAY & GOALKEEPER KITS



## OPPOSITION PLAYER NOTABLES

22 Year old striker **Michael Mellon (pictured)** is currently on loan from Burnley. Michael is the son of manager Micky Mellon. He had already amassed 61 appearances and 18 goals before he joined Oldham on loan on 1st Sept 2025. He has already turned out for Morecambe, Dundee, Stockport & Bradford on loan.



**Ryan Woods** is a player with a long and impressive pedigree. He joined Oldham from Exeter on 7th July 2025. The 31 year old defensive midfielder started out at Shrewsbury, before moving to Brentford and playing 122 games there between 2015 & 2019. He has since played for Stoke, Millwall, Birmingham, Hull, Bristol Rovers and Exeter before linking up with Oldham.

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## OLDHAM ATHLETIC MANAGER MICKY MELLON



Micky Mellon began his management career with Fleetwood in 2008 and took them into the Football Conference through the play-offs and in September 2010 he took his newly promoted team to the Broadfield Stadium for the first-ever match between the two clubs, to face Steve Evans' promotion-chasing Red Devils. Crawley finished the campaign as champions, while Fleetwood made the play-offs, only to lose to AFC Wimbledon in the semi-finals. The following season, Mellon's Fleetwood side were themselves promoted to the Football League as Conference champions.

Mellon next encountered Crawley Town as Tranmere Rovers manager, after leading them back into the Football League with victory over Boreham Wood in the National League play-off final. During the 2018/19 season, Mellon's side completed the league double over Gabriele Cioffi's Crawley Town en-route to a second promotion, winning the League Two play-off final at Wembley and securing a spot in League One for the following season.

Tranmere's second season in League One ended in misery when they were controversially relegated back into League Two on PPG (Points Per Game) after the COVID pandemic brought the campaign to a premature end. Mellon then left to manage Dundee United for a year.

He returned to Tranmere Rovers ahead of their 2021/22 League Two campaign and led team his against Crawley on three occasions, twice in the league and once for the opening round of the FA Cup, winning all of them.

Current Reds boss Scott Lindsey took his relegation-threatened Crawley side to Prenton Park in February 2023, where Mellon's side claimed victory with a narrow 1-0 win. This would be the final time he faced Crawley and the last 3 points he would gather for the Super Whites, a draw and two losses followed culminating in his sacking from the post.

Today, he will return to Broadfield Stadium in charge of Oldham Athletic, another club he has returned to the Football League from non-league, to once again lock horns with Scott Lindsey's Red Devils.

## MICKY MELLON'S RECORD AGAINST CRAWLEY TOWN

PLAYED **8** WON **5** DRAW **1** LOST **2** WIN RATIO **62.5%**

2010/11	CONF	Sat, 04 Sep	Crawley Town 1-1 Fleetwood Town	v Steve Evans
	CONF	Sat, 12 Mar	Fleetwood Town 1-2 Crawley Town	v Steve Evans
2018/19	L2	Sat, 27 Oct	Tranmere Rovers 5-1 Crawley Town	v Gabriele Cioffi
	L2	Sat, 04 May	Crawley Town 3-1 Tranmere Rovers	v Gabriele Cioffi
2021/22	L2	Sat, 02 Oct	Tranmere Rovers 2-1 Crawley Town	v John Yems
	FAC	Sat, 06 Nov	Crawley Town 0-1 Tranmere Rovers	v John Yems
	L2	Sat, 22 Jan	Crawley Town 0-1 Tranmere Rovers	v John Yems
2022/23	L2	Tue, 28 Feb	Tranmere Rovers 1-0 Crawley Town	v Scott Lindsey



# SEASON RECORD 25/26

HOME Away Red = Evening KO ■ Cautioned □ Sent Off Scorers in **BOLD**  
 L2 = SkyBet EFL League Two **FAC** = FA Cup **EFLT** = EFL Trophy Group F



Date & Opposition	Comp	Res	Att	Team Line-Up First XI											Subs Used (Unused in Italics)
<b>AUGUST</b>															
2 Grimsby Town	L2	L 0-3	6,806	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Brown	Williams	Scott	Forster	Holohan	Tshimanga	Watson, Papadoupoulos, Roles, Flower (Mukena, Anderson)
9 <b>NEWPORT COUNTY</b>	L2	L 1-2	3,189	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Brown	Williams	Scott	Adeyemo	Holohan	Tshimanga	<b>ANDERSON 1</b> , Watson, Roles, Flower (Mukena, Papadoupoulos, Kotey)
12 Swansea City	CC1	L 1-3	5,095	Davies	Barker	Roles	Flint	McKirdy	Brown	Williams	Anderson	Adeyemo	Mukena	<b>TSHIMANGA 1</b>	Holohan, Watson, Papadoupoulos, Kotey, Flower (Radcliffe)
16 Crewe Alexandra	L2	L 0-1	5,062	Davies	Barker	Flower	Flint	McKirdy	Brown	Williams	Anderson	Adeyemo	Mukena	Tshimanga	Roles, Watson, Cashman, Dixon (Papadoupoulos, Radcliffe, Kotey)
19 <b>MILTON KEYNES DONS</b>	L2	D 1-1	3,561	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Watson	Williams	Dixon	<b>ADEYEMO 1</b>	Cashman	Tshimanga	Anderson, Roles, Brown, Flower (Radcliffe, Mukena, Showunmi)
23 <b>TRANMERE ROVERS</b>	L2	L 0-2	4,874	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Watson	Scott	Dixon	Adeyemo	Cashman	Tshimanga	Roles, Showunmi, Bajrami, Flower (Brown, Mukena, Anderson)
30 Chesterfield	L2	D 2-2	8,005	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	<b>MCKIRDY 2</b>	Watson	Scott	Dixon	Adeyemo	Cashman	Bajrami	Pereira, Anderson, Brown, Forster, Tshimanga, Flower (Roles)
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>															
6 Harrogate Town	L2	W 1-0	2,757	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Pereira	Scott	Loft	Adeyemo	<b>BROWN 1</b>	Bajrami	Anderson, Malone, Forster, Holohan, Tshimanga (Roles)
13 <b>CHELTHENHAM TOWN</b>	L2	W 2-0	3,127	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	<b>MCKIRDY 2</b>	Pereira	Scott	Tshimanga	Adeyemo	Brown	Bajrami	Anderson, Malone, Flower, Dixon, Holohan (Forster)
16 <b>ASTON VILLA U21</b>	EFLT	W 4-2	743	Wollacott	Malone	Mukena	Anderson	<b>RADCLIFFE 2</b>	Kotey	Flower	<b>LOFT 1</b>	<b>DIXON 1</b>	Brown	Forster	Showunmi, Papadoupoulos (Heater, Pereira, Adeyemo, Tshimanga)
20 Notts County	L2	L 0-4	8,974	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Pereira	Scott	Tshimanga	Adeyemo	Brown	Bajrami	Forster, Dixon, Loft, Holohan (Malone, Anderson)
27 <b>BARROW</b>	L2	L 1-2	2,889	Davies	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Pereira	Watson	Loft	Adeyemo	Holohan	<b>BAJRAMI 1</b>	Forster (Malone, Anderson, Brown, Tshimanga, Dixon)
<b>OCTOBER</b>															
4 Cambridge United	L2	L 1-3	6,607	Wollacott	Barker	Conroy	Flint	McKirdy	Pereira	Scott	Forster	Dixon	Holohan	Bajrami	Brown, Roles, <b>TSHIMANGA 1</b> (Malone, Anderson, Flower)
7 Leyton Orient	EFLT	L 1-2	1,373	Wollacott	Radcliffe	Conroy	Kotey	Malone	Anderson	Scott	Loft	<b>FLOWER 1</b>	Brown	Tshimanga	Barker, Flint, Holohan (Robertson, Heater, Watson, Showunmi)
11 <b>WALSALL</b>	L2	D 1-1	3,461	Wollacott	Barker	Conroy	Flint	Malone	Anderson	McKirdy	<b>LOFT 1</b>	Pereira	Holohan	Tshimanga	Watson, Forster, Flower (Radcliffe, Brown, Showunmi)
18 Shrewsbury Town	L2	L 0-1	4,743	Wollacott	Barker	Conroy	Flint	Forster	Anderson	McKirdy	Loft	Pereira	Holohan	Tshimanga	Watson, Bajrami, Roles, Cashman (Brown, Scott)
25 <b>BRISTOL ROVERS</b>	L2	W 4-0	3,416	Wollacott	Barker	Conroy	Flint	<b>MALONE 1</b>	Anderson	Scott	Loft	Watson	Holohan	Bajrami	<b>FLOWER 1</b> , <b>FORSTER 1</b> , Tshimanga, Dixon (Brown, Roles)
<b>NOVEMBER</b>															
1 Boreham Wood	FAC1	L 0-3	1,536	Wollacott	Barker	Conroy	Flint	Malone	Anderson	Scott	Loft	Watson	Holohan	Bajrami	Pereria, Dixon, Brown, Flower, Forster (Tshimanga, Roles, Heater, Radcliffe)
8 <b>FLEETWOOD TOWN</b>	L2	W 2-1	2,879	Wollacott	Barker	Radcliffe	Flint	Malone	Anderson	Adeyemo	Dixon	Watson	Brown	<b>FLOWER 1</b>	<b>FORSTER 1</b> , Williams, Pereira (Bajrami, Scott, Tshimanga)
11 <b>PETERBOROUGH UNITED</b>	EFLT	L 1-2	924	Davies	Roles	Radcliffe	Flint	Kotey	Forster	Scott	Loft	Mukena	Tshimanga	<b>BAJRAMI 1</b>	Barker, Anderson, Adeyemo (Brown, Robertson, Heater, Showunmi)
15 Gillingham	L2	D 2-2	6,252	Wollacott	Barker	Williams	Flint	Anderson	Forster	Brown	Adeyemo	Watson	Flower	<b>BAJRAMI 1</b>	Roles, <b>TSHIMANGA 1</b> (Davies, Mukena, Kotey, Robertson)
22 <b>ACCRINGTON STANLEY</b>	L2	D 1-1	2,885	Wollacott	Barker	Williams	Flint	McKirdy	Forster	Brown	Adeyemo	Watson	Flower	Bajrami	Dixon, Roles, <b>TSHIMANGA 1</b> (Davies, Mukena, Robertson)
29 Salford City	L2	L 3-4	2,127	Wollacott	Bajrami	<b>WILLIAMS 1</b>	Flint	McKirdy	<b>FORSTER 1</b>	Brown	Adeyemo	Watson	Flower	Tshimanga	Pereria, Roles, Dixon (Davies, Mukena, Robertson)
<b>DECEMBER</b>															
9 Bromley	L2														
13 <b>OLDHAM ATHLETIC</b>	L2														
20 Swindon Town	L2														
26 <b>COLCHESTER UNITED</b>	L2														
29 <b>BROMLEY</b>	L2														
<b>JANUARY 2026</b>															
1 Barnet	L2														
4 Cheltenham Town (KO 12 noon)	L2														
10 <b>CAMBRIDGE UNITED</b>	L2														
17 <b>NOTTS COUNTY</b>	L2														
24 Barrow	L2														
27 Walsall	L2														
31 <b>HARROGATE TOWN</b>	L2														
<b>FEBRUARY</b>															
7 <b>CREWE ALEX.</b> (KO 12.30)	L2														
14 Tranmere Rovers	L2														
17 Milton Keynes Dons	L2														
21 <b>CHESTERFIELD</b>	L2														
28 Oldham Athletic	L2														
<b>MARCH</b>															
7 <b>SWINDON TOWN</b>	L2														
13 Colchester United	L2														
17 <b>BARNET</b>	L2														
21 Fleetwood Town	L2														
28 <b>GILLINGHAM</b>	L2														
<b>APRIL</b>															
3 Newport County	L2														
6 <b>GRIMSBY TOWN</b>	L2														
11 Bristol Rovers	L2														
18 <b>SHREWSBURY TOWN</b>	L2														
25 Accrington Stanley	L2														
<b>MAY</b>															
2 <b>SALFORD CITY</b>	L2														



# OPPOSITION OLDHAM ATHLETIC

## WE'VE MET BEFORE - OLDHAM ATHLETIC FC

PLAYED **14** WON **6** DRAW **4** LOST **4** WIN RATIO **42.85%**

<b>2012/13</b>	L1	Sat, 27 Oct	Crawley Town 1-1 Oldham Athletic
	L1	Sat, 20 Apr	Oldham Athletic 2-1 Crawley Town
<b>2013/14</b>	L1	Sat, 28 Sep	Crawley Town 1-0 Oldham Athletic
	L1	Sat, 22 Mar	Oldham Athletic 1-0 Crawley Town
<b>2014/15</b>	L1	Sat, 15 Nov	Oldham Athletic 1-1 Crawley Town
	L1	Mon, 06 Apr	Crawley Town 0-1 Tranmere Rovers
	L2	Sat, 01 Sep	Oldham Athletic 2-1 Crawley Town
<b>2018/19</b>	L2	Sat, 09 Feb	Crawley Town 0-3 Oldham Athletic
<b>2019/20</b>	L2	Sat, 21 Dec	Oldham Athletic 2-1 Crawley Town
	L2	Sat, 09 Feb	Crawley Town 3-0 Oldham Athletic
<b>2020/21</b>	L2	Sat, 26 Sep	Oldham Athletic 2-3 Crawley Town
	L2	Mon, 05 Apr	Crawley Town 1-4 Oldham Athletic
<b>2021/22</b>	L2	Tue, 01 Mar	Crawley Town 2-2 Oldham Athletic
	L2	Sat, 07 May	Oldham Athletic 2-3 Crawley Town

*Joe Walsh bags the winner in Crawley's first-ever victory over Oldham Athletic (September 2013)*



## SUMMARY OF OLDHAM ATHLETIC AT BROADFIELD STADIUM

**SAT, 27 OCT 2012 - Football League One - Crawley Town 1-1 Oldham Athletic**  
Crawley Town and Oldham share the points after both sides finish the first-ever match between the two clubs with ten men, in a bruising encounter at Broadfield Stadium.

**SAT, 28 SEP 2013 - Football League One - Crawley Town 1-0 Oldham Athletic**  
Joe Walsh's goal proves enough to extend Crawley's unbeaten run to five games, with a home win over Oldham.

**MON, 06 APR 2015 - Football League One - Crawley Town 2-0 Oldham Athletic**  
Crawley move out of the League One relegation places with a hard-fought home win over Oldham. This proves to be a brief reprieve for Crawley, who finish the season in 22nd place and are relegated to League Two.

**SAT, 09 FEB 2019 - EFL League Two - Crawley Town 0-3 Oldham Athletic**  
Following their relegation, Oldham return to Broadfield Stadium and clinch their first League Two win since New Year's Day, after scoring three late goals.

**SAT, 07 MAR 2020 - EFL League Two - Crawley Town 3-0 Oldham Athletic**  
Crawley stretch their unbeaten home run to nine games with a convincing victory over Oldham. This proves to be the last game of the campaign, as the season is cut short due to the rapid spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. The final league table is determined on a points-per-game basis.

**SAT, 05 APR 2021 - EFL League Two - Crawley Town 1-4 Oldham Athletic**  
Conor McAleny scores twice as Oldham send Crawley crashing to a fourth defeat in five League Two matches. The match is played behind closed doors due to restrictions imposed on large gatherings, to help prevent the spread of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.



*It was stalemate in the driving rain the last time the sides met at Broadfield Stadium (March 2022)*

**TUE, 01 MAR 2022 - EFL League Two - Crawley Town 2-2 Oldham Athletic**  
Christopher Missilou's second-half equaliser clinches Oldham a vital point in their fight against relegation from League Two in a battling 2-2 draw at Crawley. Oldham ultimately finish in 23rd place and are relegated to the National League.

# PLAYERS IN SHOT



IMAGES BY GRANT MANSFIELD



*Above & right: Louis Flower attacks the Fleetwood defence*



*Left: Charlie Barker on the ball*

*Below: Jojo Wollacott makes a save*



*Louis Flower celebrates his goal against Fleetwood*



## (WELL, SORT OF!)

Having passed the baton for my Retro Red Devils articles on to Kev Neylon, I thought I had escaped, but couldn't resist the temptation to contribute to a matchday programme again, after the football club sadly deemed it surplus to requirements a couple of years back.

Hopefully, like us, you consider this revamped programme to be good value for money, with varied content and proper statistics pages for all you stat lovers out there.

In the past I would usually refer to that day's opponents and, if appropriate, reference past meetings with them. However that job goes to one of the other members of the team, so I am leaving Oldham to them and instead going back in time to look at anything related to Crawley Town (and before that Crawley FC) that takes my fancy.

While researching a small exhibition I am

trying to set up, I had a look in the archive for interesting matches the club played around this time of year. Firstly we step back 100 years to December 1925. At the time Crawley was still a small market town on the direct road route from London to Brighton, with a population of around 4,000, while the club were playing matches in the Mid Sussex League.

We were fielding three sides, and at various times through the first quarter of the 20th century, would switch sides between the Mid Sussex, West Sussex (the first organised league we entered in 1896) and also Horsham leagues. I have also seen that at various times we had a side Crawley Wednesday who would play matches on Wednesdays afternoons, presumably as in those days that was when some shops and businesses closed early.

It had taken until season 1922/23 for our first

Below: The 1969/70 squad with pre-season optimism



cup success, when our reserve side had won the Mid Sussex Junior Cup (later called the Mowatt Cup) with a 4-1 win in the final against Haywards Heath reserves at our Victoria Hall ground. This ground is roughly where the Dyers Almshouses are now in Northgate Road, and I have included a sketch I drew for a previous exhibition showing this and some of the other grounds we used in that area in the early 20th century (see opposite).

But back to November/December 1925 when we were still playing at Victoria Hall Meadow. As reported in the Sussex and Surrey Courier at the beginning of December 1925, we had just beaten Cuckfield 9-0 to advance to the semi-final of the Montgomery Cup.

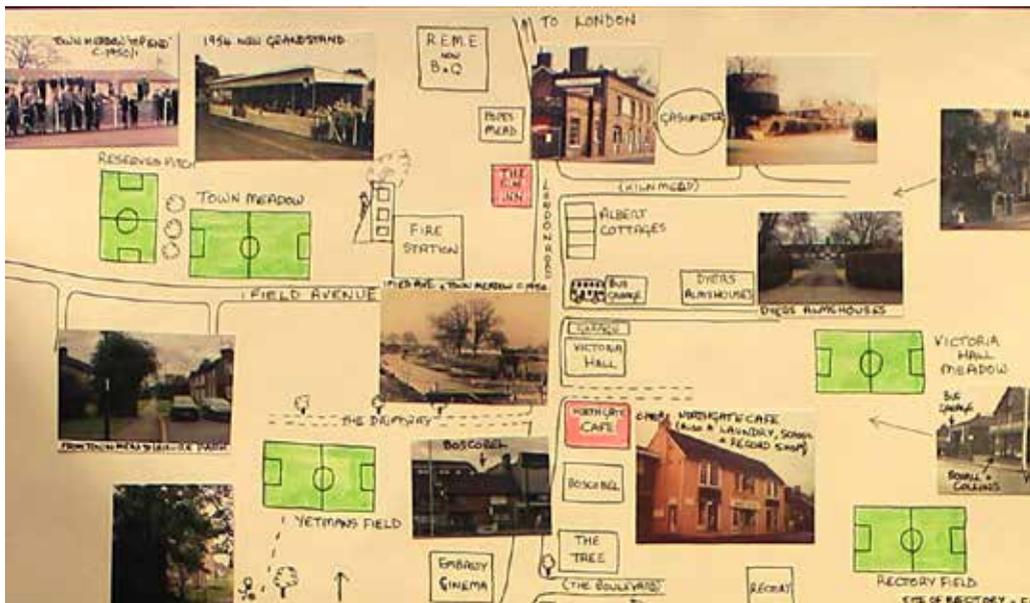
I am not sure if the reporter, "Onlooker", was just being kind to the unfortunate team but he did suggest the score wasn't a true reflection and that on occasion Cuckfield could have had one or two goals, mind you, there isn't much difference between 9-0 and 9-2!

In our side that day - and apparently excelling - was E.Horn the grandfather of Steve Horn, a current season ticket holder who sits next to me in the East Stand.

Also playing key roles in that big win were Brooks ("dashing in defence"), Chipperfield, E.Knight and centre half A.Miller who actually scored a hatrick!

The quarter final victory set us up with a semi-final against Lindfield which was scheduled for early February 1926 and again we would have home advantage. I thought I would save mention of ongoing Montgomery Cup campaign for future articles, so keep investing in the programmes!

The aforementioned match report also included mention of an old Crawley player, Bertie Nix, watching the game and offering his assessment of the performance.



His comments were that basically the game was much slower than previously, also shooting was not as good (but we won 9-0!) and that he thought the game had gone a bit soft, with the absence of the "good old fashioned shoulder charge".

I hate to think what he would make of modern football with all its "amateur dramatics" and ridiculous amount of free kicks and cards dished out for seemingly little offence. I found mention of Bertie, or H.E.Nix as he was in early match reports, playing as a right back in some of Crawley FC's earliest friendly matches in the early 1890s, before we started playing in the West Sussex League in 1896.

Bertie's comments regarding our shooting seemed even more harsh bearing in mind we had won an earlier round of the Montgomery Cup that autumn by the amazing score of 11-1 against Haywards Heath Hospital.

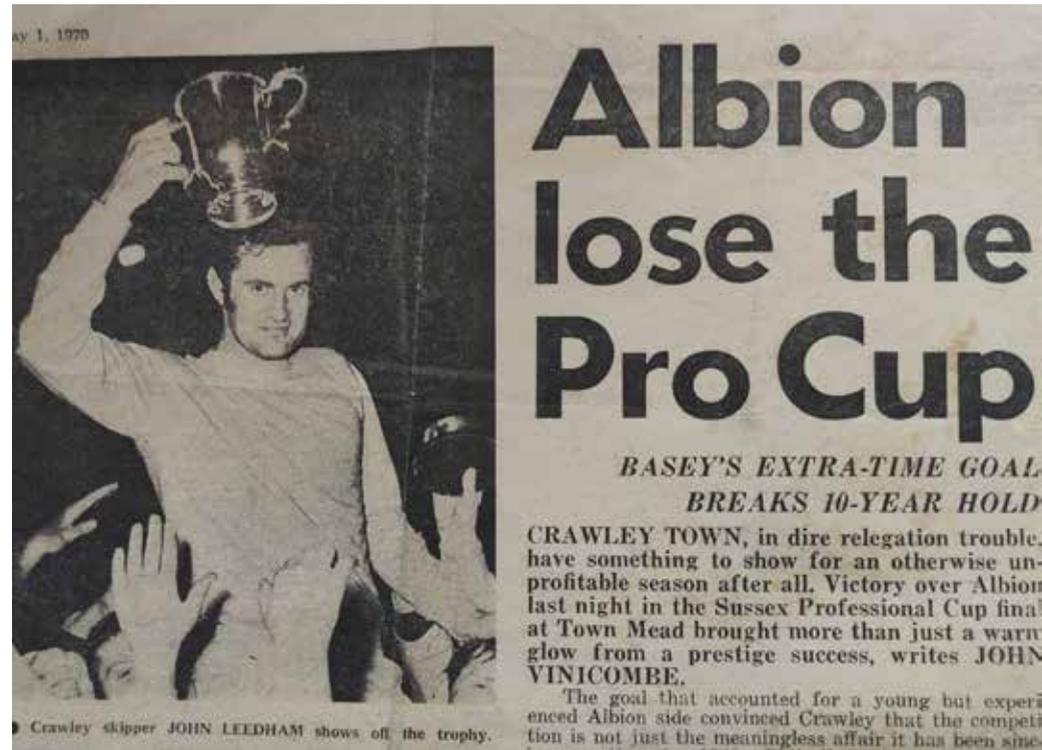
All this talk of 9-0 scores and the time of year got me thinking about one of Crawley Town FC's bleakest days, many years on from the Montgomery Cup campaign of 1925/26.

It was the 1969/70 season when as a Southern League club (since 1963/64), we finally had achieved promotion to the Premier Division the previous season under player manager Roy Jennings's inspired leadership (not to mention his outstanding penalty taking record of never missing one for us).

I have mentioned this on several occasions in past articles, but we were really stepping up in quality of opposition and coming up against the best non-league sides in the country, in the days before the Conference/National League.

The particular memory I recalled comes from 13th December 1969 and my trip to watch the Red Devils away to Wimbledon – that's the original version – in the years before AFC and MK Dons. They did play at Plough Lane though, and were one of the teams challenging for the Premier Division title, against the likes of Cambridge United (and Ron Atkinson), Hereford United (featuring the great John Charles) and Yeovil.

I set off that Saturday morning, more in hope than expectation as we had lost our previous games 6-1 at Bath City and 5-1 at home to



Weymouth, just four days before Wimbledon, despite leading 1-0 at half time.

However, we had taken Wimbledon to two replays in the FA Cup 4th qualifying round just a few weeks previously, causing some of our loyal away following to retain a shred of optimism. Sadly, though, our worst fears were realised and at 5-0 down, the Plough Lane social club beckoned, but by the time we had walked round to its entrance the score was 9-0 and a medicinal brandy was called for.

Our season never really recovered after that nightmare although we did make ourselves much harder to beat (aside from losing 6-2 at Kettering and 8-0 at eventual champions Cambridge United). We just didn't manage to turn enough of our drawn games into wins, and the inevitable relegation was sealed at the end of April.

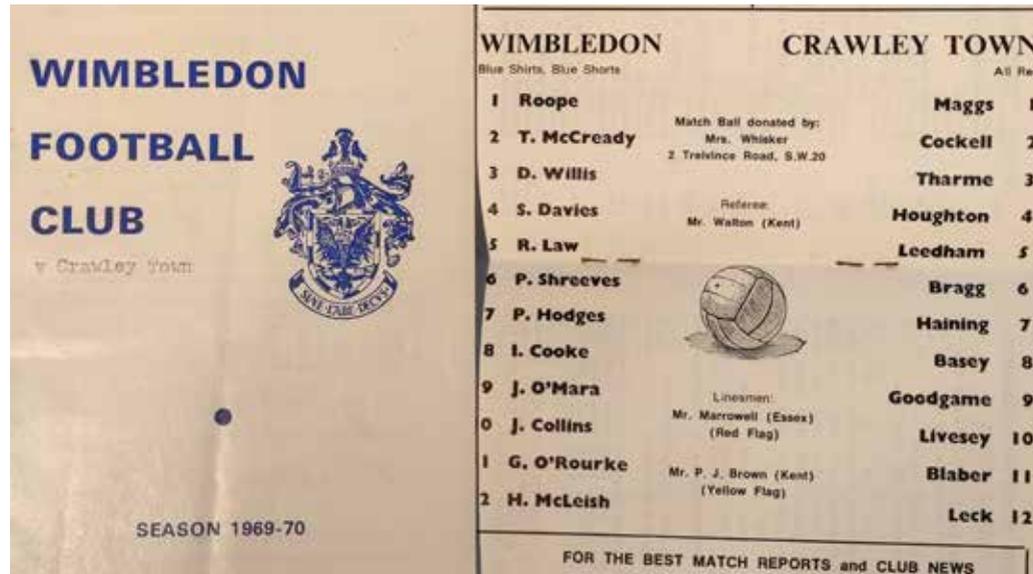
There was one bright spot though, to finish a tough season, and that was when we finally managed to beat Brighton in the Sussex

Professional Cup final at Town Meadow, their first loss in the competition in ten seasons. On many occasions over the years we would end up losing tight games to a Brighton reserve side in this competition, but this time we were facing what was a fairly strong line up, which included their new signing from Manchester United, Peter O'Sullivan.

For once our solid defence from the previous promotion season showed its true form and with John Maggs in inspired form in goal, we would win the cup with a fine finish from top scorer Phil Basey eight minutes from the end of extra time, all very commendable as we were part time players competing against full time professionals.

I will finish on that pleasant note, and hope the new programme is well received. Please tell your friends to buy a copy, and if you have any comments about this article, do send me an email.

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## HISTORICAL STATS COMPILED BY IAN MULCAHY THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE & CONFERENCE YEARS

### SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Most League Points	84	2003/04	Least League points	11	1974/75
Most Draws	16	1988/89	Least Draws	2	1963/64
Most wins	26	1966/67	Least wins	3	1974/75
Most defeats	30	1974/75	Least defeats	7	1983/84
Most goals scored	84	1970/71	Least goals scored	31	1974/75
Most goals conceded	102	1974/75	Least goals conceded	28	1983/84
Best GD	40	1983/84	Worst GD	-71	1974/75

Best Home Att	4,522	6 Mar 2004 v Weymouth. Premier Division			
Best Away Att	3,341	6 May 1989 v Merthyr Tydfil. Premier Division <i>Best recorded</i>			
Lowest Home Att	51	18 Mar 1975 v Canterbury City Division One (Sth) <i>Lowest recorded</i>			
Lowest Away Att	40	31 Mar 1984 v Hounslow, Division One (South) <i>Lowest recorded</i>			
Top season scorer	33	Terry Robbins (1985/86)	<i>League goals only</i>		
Top Season Apps	47	Steve Burton (1979/80)	<i>League apps only (+ from the bench)</i>		

### CONFERENCE (NATIONAL LEAGUE)

Most League Points	105	2010/11	Least League points	47	2005/06
Most Draws	14	2008/09	Least Draws	9	2004/05 2007/08 2008/09
Most wins	31	2010/11	Least wins	12	2005/06
Most defeats	19	2005/06	Least defeats	3	2010/11
Most goals scored	93	2010/11	Least goals scored	48	2005/06
Most goals conceded	67	2007/08	Least goals conceded	30	2010/11
Best GD	63	2010/11	Worst GD	-7	2005/06 2009/10

Best Home Att	4,054	18 Mar 2011 v AFC Wimbledon			
Best Away Att	6,895	5 Oct 2010 v Luton Town			
Lowest Home Att	593	24 Feb 2009 v Lewes			
Lowest Away Att	320	28 Aug 2010 v Hayes & Yeading			
Top season scorer	37	Matt Tubbs (2010/11) <i>League goals only</i>			
Top Season Apps	46	Dannie Bulman (2008/09) Simon Rayner (2008/09) <i>League appearances only (+ from the bench)</i>			

## 2025/26 SEASON STATS AS AT 6/12/25

No / Pos / Player / Previous Club or Loan Status <i>These stats cover all competitions</i>	CTFC 25-26 Stats					CTFC Career	
	St	Su	Gls	Y	R	Apps	Gls
<b>1 GK</b> Harvey Davies <i>Season long loan from Liverpool</i>	12			1		12	
<b>2 DF</b> Scott Malone <i>Cambridge Utd</i>	6	2	1	3		11	1
<b>3 DF</b> Dion Conroy (Captain) <i>Swindon Town</i>	15			4		98	3
<b>4 DF</b> Geraldo Bajrami <i>Season long loan from Burton</i>	12	2	3	2		14	3
<b>5 DF</b> Charlie Barker <i>Wealdstone</i>	19	2		7		66	2
<b>6 MF</b> Max Anderson <i>Dundee</i>	10	5	1	5		60	4
<b>7 MF</b> Harry Forster <i>Bromley</i>	8	8	3	2		79	10
<b>8 MF</b> Gavan Holohan <i>Grimsby Town</i>	8	5		2	1	36	1
<b>9 FW</b> Kabongo Tshimanga <i>Peterborough</i>	13	6	4	1		19	4
<b>10 MF</b> Reece Brown <i>Forest Green Rovers</i>	13	5	1	3		18	1
<b>11 MF</b> Jack Roles <i>Woking</i>	2	10		2		86	6
<b>13 FW</b> Harry McKirdy <i>Bromley</i>	16		4	5	1	16	4
<b>14 FW</b> Louis Flower <i>Brighton &amp; Hove Albion</i>	6	10	3	3		16	3
<b>15 DF</b> Ben Radcliffe <i>Derby County</i>	4		2	1		23	2
<b>17 MF</b> Kyle Scott <i>Orange County USA</i>	12			7		12	
<b>18 FW</b> Danny Cashman <i>Worthing</i>	3	2		1		5	
<b>19 MF</b> Dion Pereira <i>Luton Town</i>	7	4		1		11	
<b>20 DF</b> Joy Mukena <i>St Albans City</i>	4					48	
<b>21 FW</b> Ryan Loft <i>Season long loan from Cambridge Utd</i>	9	1	2	3	2	10	2
<b>22 FW</b> Ade Adeyemo <i>Cray Valley PM</i>	14	1	1	2		79	9
<b>23 MF</b> Fate Kotey <i>Fulham Academy</i>	2	3				5	
<b>24 FW</b> Kaheim Dixon <i>Season long loan from Charlton</i>	6	7	1			13	1
<b>25 MF</b> Antony Papadopoulos <i>On loan to Maidstone</i>		3				10	1
<b>26 MF</b> Jay Williams <i>MK Dons</i>	8	1	2	3		65	5
<b>27 MF</b> Louie Watson <i>Luton Town</i>	10	5		1		23	
<b>28 DF</b> Josh Flint <i>FC Vollendam</i>	21	1		3		42	
<b>29 FW</b> Tola Showumni <i>Louisville City</i>		4				4	7
<b>30 GK</b> Ryan Sandford <i>On loan to Eastbourne Boro</i>							
<b>33 GK</b> Will Heater <i>On loan to Sheppey Utd</i>							
<b>34 GK</b> Jojo Wollacott <i>Hibernian</i>	10					47	
<b>56 MF</b> Jude Robertson <i>Ipswich Academy</i>		3		1		3	



## BY HERBERT'S TOURS

### Swindon Town (A) Saturday 20th December, KO 3pm

10:10 Three Bridges to Gatwick  
10:29 Gatwick to Reading  
12:13 Reading to Swindon

17:40 Swindon to Reading  
18:24 Reading to Gatwick  
20:05 Gatwick to Three Bridges

Journey time of around 2 hours 30 mins  
Prices at time of going to press, £34 return with a railcard or booked as a groupsave (3-9 adults) travelling together. £51 without a railcard.

For latest prices and to book, [thetrainline.com](http://thetrainline.com)



### Barnet (A) Thursday 1st January, KO 3pm

Three Bridges 1201  
West Hampstead Thameslink 1259

Easy signposted 2 minute walk between West Hampstead Thameslink railway station and West Hampstead tube station.

Then Jubilee Line to Canons Park - takes 18 minutes.  
The Hive is a few minutes walk from Canons Park tube.  
In total a journey time of 1 hour 25 minutes.

Then do the same journey in reverse after the game.  
Tube Canons Park to West Hampstead tube.  
Then the short walk to West Hampstead Thameslink.  
Trains run every 15 minutes from there back to Three Bridges.

A Thameslink travelcard is £13.10 with a railcard or in a groupsave (3-9 people travelling together) or £19.70 without.



## SKYBET LEAGUE TWO TABLES & UPCOMING FIXTURES AS AT 6/12/25

Position & Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 Walsall	18	11	2	5	28	18	+10	35
2 Swindon Town	18	10	4	4	31	24	+7	34
3 Milton Keynes Dons	18	9	5	4	35	20	+15	32
4 Notts County	18	9	4	5	30	20	+10	31
5 Bromley	18	8	6	4	28	22	+6	30
6 Cambridge United	18	8	5	5	20	16	+4	29
7 Salford City	18	9	2	7	24	25	-1	29
8 Gillingham	18	7	7	4	26	20	+6	28
9 Chesterfield	18	7	7	4	32	29	+3	28
10 Colchester United	18	7	6	5	28	21	+7	27
11 Crewe Alexandra	18	8	3	7	27	24	+3	27
12 Grimsby Town	18	7	5	6	32	25	+7	26
13 Fleetwood Town	18	7	5	6	27	26	+1	26
14 Barnet	18	6	7	5	22	19	+3	25
15 Tranmere Rovers	18	5	8	5	30	27	+3	23
16 <b>OLDHAM ATHLETIC</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>+3</b>	<b>23</b>
17 Accrington Stanley	18	5	6	7	21	22	-1	21
18 Barrow	18	5	5	8	18	23	-5	20
19 <b>CRAWLEY TOWN</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>17</b>
20 Shrewsbury Town	18	4	5	9	18	31	-13	17
21 Bristol Rovers	18	5	2	11	15	31	-16	17
22 Cheltenham Town	18	5	2	11	14	32	-18	17
23 Harrogate Town	18	4	4	10	17	28	-11	16
24 Newport County	18	3	3	12	18	33	-15	12

### SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2025

3pm Accrington Stanley v Bromley  
12.30pm Bristol Rovers v Swindon Town  
3pm Cheltenham Town v Harrogate Town  
3pm Chesterfield v Barnet  
**3pm Crawley Town v Oldham Athletic**  
3pm Gillingham v Barrow  
3pm Grimsby Town v Notts County  
3pm Milton Keynes Dons v Cambridge United  
3pm Newport County v Fleetwood Town  
12.30pm Salford City v Colchester United  
3pm Tranmere Rovers v Crewe Alexandra  
3pm Walsall v Shrewsbury Town

3pm Fleetwood Town v Gillingham  
3pm Harrogate Town v Milton Keynes Dons  
12.30pm Notts County v Walsall  
3pm Oldham Athletic v Tranmere Rovers  
3pm Shrewsbury Town v Chesterfield  
**3pm Swindon Town v Crawley Town**

### FRIDAY 26TH DECEMBER 2025

3pm Accrington Stanley v Barrow  
3pm Bristol Rovers v Bromley  
3pm Cheltenham Town v Shrewsbury Town  
3pm Chesterfield v Notts County  
**3pm Crawley Town v Colchester United**  
3pm Gillingham v Cambridge United  
3pm Grimsby Town v Oldham Athletic  
3pm Milton Keynes Dons v Swindon Town  
3pm Newport County v Barnet  
3pm Salford City v Harrogate Town  
3pm Tranmere Rovers v Fleetwood Town  
3pm Walsall v Crewe Alexandra

### FRIDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2025

7.45pm Barrow v Cheltenham Town  
7.45pm Cambridge United v Accrington Stanley  
7.45pm Crewe Alexandra v Bristol Rovers

### SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2025

3pm Barnet v Salford City  
12.30pm Bromley v Grimsby Town  
3pm Colchester United v Newport County





			Start	Sub
1	GK	Harvey DAVIES	■	■
2	DF	Scott MALONE	■	■
3	DF	Dion CONROY	■	■
4	DF	Geraldo BAJRAMI	■	■
5	DF	Charlie BARKER	■	■
6	MF	Max ANDERSON	■	■
7	MF	Harry FORSTER	■	■
8	MF	Gavan HOLOHAN	■	■
9	FW	Kabongo TSHIMANGA	■	■
10	MF	Reece BROWN	■	■
11	MF	Jack ROLES	■	■
13	FW	Harry MCKIRDY	■	■
14	FW	Louis FLOWER	■	■
15	DF	Ben RADCLIFFE	■	■
17	MF	Kyle SCOTT	■	■
18	FW	Danny CASHMAN	■	■
19	MF	Dion PEREIRA	■	■
20	DF	Joy MUKENA	■	■
21	FW	Ryan LOFT	■	■
22	FW	Ade ADEYEMO	■	■
23	MF	Fate KOTEY	■	■
24	FW	Kaheim DIXON	■	■
25	MF	Antony PAPADOPOULOS	■	■
26	MF	Jay WILLIAMS	■	■
27	MF	Louie WATSON	■	■
28	DF	Josh FLINT	■	■
29	FW	Tola SHOWUMNI	■	■
30	GK	Ryan SANDFORD	■	■
33	GK	Will HEATER	■	■
34	GK	Jojo WOLLACOTT	■	■
56	MF	Jude ROBERTSON	■	■

**Ernie Cooksey** was a CTFC and Oldham Athletic legend, who passed away seventeen years ago, aged only 28. Today will be the fifteenth meeting of the two clubs.

As the scoreboard ticks around to 28 minutes, we hope all at the Broadfield Stadium will join together, stand if you can, and deliver a minute of applause in celebration for a man who meant a great deal to supporters of both clubs.

**One Ernie Cooksey. Never forgotten.**



			Start	Sub
1	GK	Matthew HUDSON	■	■
2	DF	Reagan OGLE	■	■
3	DF	Jake LEAKE	■	■
4	MF	Tom PETT	■	■
5	DF	Donervon DANIELS	■	■
6	DF	Manny MONTHÉ	■	■
7	MF	Harry CHARLSLEY	■	■
8	MF	Ryan WOODS	■	■
9	FW	Mike FONDOP	■	■
10	MF	Tom CONLON	■	■
11	FW	Jack STEVENS	■	■
14	FW	Joe GARNER	■	■
15	FW	Kane DRUMMOND	■	■
16	DF	Will SUTTON	■	■
17	FW	Joe QUIGLEY	■	■
18	MF	Kieron MORRIS	■	■
19	MF	Luke HANNANT	■	■
20	DF	Jake CAPRICE	■	■
21	MF	Josh HAWKES	■	■
22	DF	Charlie OLSON	■	■
23	FW	Kian HARRATT	■	■
24	DF	Jamie ROBSON	■	■
25	DF	Harley O'GRADY-MACKEN	■	■
26	MF	Kai PAYNE	■	■
27	MF	Oli HAMMOND	■	■
28	FW	Michael MELLON	■	■
29	MF	Josh KAY	■	■
30	FW	Billy WATERS	■	■
31	GK	Tom DONAGHY	■	■
35	GK	Scott MOLONEY	■	■
40	DF	Dynel SIMEU	■	■

**REFEREE** Charles Breakspear

**ASST** Ross Murphy

**ASST** Marc Wilson

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